

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS OF THE PROJECT 7 WATER AUTHORITY

March 23, 2023

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Project 7 Water Authority was held March 23, 2023 in the conference room of the Project 7 Treatment Plant site, Montrose, Colorado.

Directors Present:

Vicki Ripp
Karen Ball
Randy Meaker
Jake Foreman
Kevin Carlson
David Bries

Others Present:

Adam Turner	Sagrado Sparks
Rick Huggins	Solomon Abel
Janet Chapman	Kathy Calkins
Tessa Scharf	Fred Waldman
Wayne Schieldt	Doug Glaspell
Mark Hillier	

Chairman Randy Meaker called the Annual March 23, 2023 meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Chairperson Meaker directed that Proof of Publication of the Annual Meeting from the Montrose Daily Press, The Delta County Independent, and the Ouray Newspaper be reflected in the minutes.

January Minutes

Following review of the minutes, Mrs. Vicki Ripp moved to accept the January 26, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Karen Ball and passed unanimously.

Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

Resiliency Update

Mr. Rick Huggins presented an update on Project 7 Water Supply Resiliency Program. Mr. Rick Huggins revisited the project priorities, cost, sustainability, raw water delivery, and design capacity. He also covered softening technology, finished waterline capacity and operations.

A recap on prioritization and variables including size of plant, water discharge permit from CDPHE, and cost of pipe were discussed. Mr. Rick Huggins asked for input from the Board as to what was important to keep, what to wait on, or what to cut. He also said that P7/Garver/CDM-Smith McCarthy are continuing to work on environmental assessment, easement program, conceptual design and Final negotiations of Scope and fee for Design-Build contract Phase 1.

Mr. Sagrado Sparks and Mr. Solomon Abel for McCarthy CDM Smith reported on the Project Scope, budget management and the impacts of cost escalation. They discussed working together in the changing market.

Mr. Miles Graham reported on the WIFIA application, SRF Funding, Title VXI feasibility and Congressionally Directed Spending request. Also pursuing more need-based grants, principal forgiveness, and CDS/Community projects.

He also said that they are still updating Congresswoman Boebert's staff regarding the progress of the WTP.

2022 Annual Water Quality Report

The Manager reviewed the 2022 Annual Water Quality Report and discussed items of interest.

The 2022 Annual Quality Report was approved by the board.

Consumption Report

Consumption Reports for Feb 2023 were reviewed.

Cash Flow Report

The Manager reported that water usage was about the same as a year ago but revenue was up due to the rate increase.

Process Control Report

The Process Control Reports for Feb 2023 were reviewed.

Updates

Manager's Report/Update handout: see attached.

Chairman Meaker directed the minutes reflect acceptance of the Manager's Reports.

New Business

Managers Evaluation

Chairman Randy Meaker proposed to put the Manager Evaluation off until the next meeting. The Board asked the Manager for a self-evaluation.

Election of Officers

Mrs. Vicki Ripp nominated Mr. Jake Foreman for Chairman. Mrs. Karen Ball seconded the motion. Mrs. Vicki Ripp moved that nominations cease and Mr. Kevin Carlson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Mrs. Karen Ball nominated Mrs. Vicki Ripp for Vice-Chairman. Mr. David Bries seconded the motion. Mr. Jake Foreman moved nominations cease. Mr. Kevin Carlson seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Karen Ball nominated Mr. Randy Meaker for secretary/treasurer. Mrs. Vicki Ripp seconded the motion. Mr. Jake Foreman moved that nominations cease, with Mr. Kevin Carlson seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Adjourn

They're being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary